

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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Public Works Director
City of San Buenaventura
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Dear Messrs. Weiner and Raives:

APPROVAL OF EXTENSION FOR STAKEHOLDER OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON FINAL ESTUARY SUBWATERSHED STUDY REPORT - VENTURA WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY (NPDES NO. CA0053651, ORDER NO. R4-2008-0011)

Per your May 11, 2011 letter, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) is approving your request to extend stakeholders' comment period on the Final Estuary Subwatershed Study Report (Final Report) and due date for the City of Ventura (City) submitting the updated Final Report. Regional Water Board staff agree to give the following:

- 1. Stakeholders an additional fourteen days, until July 15, 2011, to adequately review and comment on the City's March 6, 2011 Final Report; and,
- 2. The City additional time, until September 16, 2011, to prepare and submit an updated Final Report to the Regional Water Board addressing additional comments made by stakeholders.

This approval is based on a request made by the Ventura CoastKeeper and the City:

- 1. To provide an additional fourteen days (until June 14, 2011) for Ventura CoastKeeper to complete its independent expert review report, conducted by Dr. Richard Ambrose and Dr. Sean Anderson, on the City's Final Report;
- 2. To continue to assure that all stakeholders (including the City) have at least thirty days to review, evaluate, and submit comments based on the independent expert review report; and,
- 3. To continue to assure that the City has sufficient time to review, evaluate, and prepare an updated Final Report, and, if necessary, any responses to comments to address the independent expert review report and the stakeholder comments submitted by July 15, 2011.

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In addition, Heal the Bay emailed on May 12, 2011 to indicate that they have no objection to the two week extension for the independent expert review report.

Regional Water Board staff are expecting to receive an updated Final Report incorporating additional comments made by stakeholders by 5:00 PM on September 16, 2011.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Brandi Outwin-Beals at (213) 576-6664, or Mr. Don Tsai at (213) 576-6665.

Sincerely,

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